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MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., FRIDAY, JULY 29, 1898.

30 CENTS PER MONTH, PRICE 2 CENTS

THE FAIR.

Here is a pile of bargains we have built up to be pulled down and carried off by our eager customers. Study carefully as there is not a block but is of interest to YOU.



Granite Sauce Pans are needed every day in the year, but more especially during canning season. Our sales on these have been so large we have been unable to keep our line complete. Were compelled to telegraph two orders last week,--with covers 10c np.

Granite Tea and Coffee Pots. If you want bright cheery looking Tea and Coffee Pots, Tea. There is no longer kettles, etc., that are made in tin utensils when the cleaned you will buy our copper best enameled ware can be bought to have your cup filled from one of these bright articles. Tea and Coffee Pots 44 and 60c, Tea Kettles 65 and 85c.

Granite Covered Pails 8c. Pints 44c, quarts 44c, two pails to the largest made 10c and 11c. quarts 65c, extra covers 20c. Strainer pails, extra heavy, Water Pails 39c, 49c, 59c doz., extra rubbers 4c doz., dairy pails, milk cans, scrub Foot Tubs 69c. Soap Dishes, covered jelly glasses, plain and pails, chamber pails with flat, fluted 18c and 22c doz., can sunken and swelled covers. 5c.

Mason Fruit Jars. Pails in Tin and Galvanized from small yeast 5c up, sanitary strainers 18c, common strainers 18c, milk dippers, angel cake 17c, six ringed muffin pan 5c, covered bread raisers 19c, 29c, 39c, 44c, 49c.

Granite Basins, deep pudding pails and milk pails 5c up. Pie tins, round and square, layer cake, dripping pails, wash basins, dish pails, dinner pails, funnels, spoons, cups, etc.

Our Sales on Cortland screen doors and windows have been phenomenal. We have received cases that have not been brought in the store, simply piled up on the walk and sold. How could it be otherwise with a door sold complete for 60c? Extension window screen 10c.

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Milk Pans, plain and heavy, pressed redipped tin 5c up, sanitary strainers 18c, common strainers 18c, milk dippers, angel cake 17c, six ringed muffin pan 5c, covered bread raisers 19c, 29c, 39c, 44c, 49c.

Nothing can equal our line of glass. It is clear, sparkling and complete. From a 5c custard cup to a mammoth bowl. Of our many good things our new 10c assortment is not one of the least.

Hammocks. We have not wanted to get a large price for these, but started them at the beginning of the season at wife and lover of china. We are making closing out prices. The few we have left in a special of this line for a few days. See will be sold at the regular prices. Large our window of different decorations and sizes with pillow 49c, 69c and 89c. Another prices. with deep valance 98c, etc.

Open Stock in Dinner Ware is of interest to every housewife. We have a special of this line for a few days. See will be sold at the regular prices. Large our window of different decorations and sizes with pillow 49c, 69c and 89c. Another prices. with deep valance 98c, etc.

THE SYNDICATE FAIR STORE,
No. 8 East Main Street, Middletown, N. Y.

SPAIN LOSES HEART.

Her People Will Welcome Peace at Any Price.

NOTHING CAN ROUSE THEM NOW.

Utmost Indifference Among the Common People—Fears of a Carlist Rising Lessening—Berlin's Views on Our Attitude Rebuked by English Press.

LONDON, July 29.—A special dispatch from Madrid says:

"The government does not conceal that it hesitated for some days to go beyond an unofficial exploration at Washington, because the diplomatic agents employed to make the soundings gave conflicting accounts of President McKinley's disposition. One represented him as eager to terminate the war on moderate conditions; the other, that the most onerous conditions would be imposed, so much so that the Madrid government thought it useless to sue officially."

"When, however, it was seen that the American war preparations continued, Duke Almodovar de Rio, minister of foreign affairs, was instructed to send the note. The cabinet met Wednesday evening to deliberate as to the best means and channel of negotiation. Paris and London were both discussed. No decision was arrived at, but a majority favored sending Senor Moret, former minister of the colonies, on a special mission to London to negotiate the treaty of peace with Ambassador Hay."

"Official feeling favors direct negotiations, without interference from outsiders, even with regard to the Philippines. There is little doubt that if President McKinley's reply proves an acceptable basis, the negotiations will not be protracted, since Spain for many reasons is desirous of a speedy settlement and not less so because at the present moment public opinion is calm."

"After yesterday's cabinet council Senor Sagasta, the premier, said he had grounds for hoping that an understanding might be arrived at, but he could say nothing definite. Duke Almodovar de Rio said the European cabinet had been informed of the step Spain had taken, but not after the text of the note sent to President McKinley. The cabinet council will not meet again until Friday evening, by which time President McKinley's reply is expected."

"The ministerial El Comercio says the government has submitted to the queen

regent in council a dispatch ratifying that President McKinley, in principle, assented to the opening of negotiations. El Imparcial says that the Carlist agitation, which at first appeared to be trampled out, has recommenced in the province of Cuenca and in parts of Navarra. A Carlist bricklayer has been arrested for trying to enlist adherents. He fought on the Carlist side in the last civil war. Probably he will be court martialled."

The Madrid correspondent of The Daily Mail, remarking the "feeling of satisfaction and relief the peace overtures have produced," says:

"There is little probability of popular discontent, and none at all if Spain is allowed to retain the Philippines and is not compelled to pay indemnity. The attitude of the people makes the chances of Don Carlos small. Moreover, the Carlists are said to disagree about the advisability of rising, the Marquis de Cerralbo and other leaders opposing the step. Nevertheless, it is feared that Don Carlos will insist upon it."

The Madrid correspondent of The Daily Telegraph says:

"However unpalatable the terms of peace may be they will not provoke the slightest disturbance in Spain, where listless indifference is predominant."

The Berlin correspondent of The Times says:

"The terms of peace which America imposes occasion surprise here, as much too hard. The National Gazette remarks that the United States have not won a victory signal enough to warrant such hard terms and expresses the opinion that the prospects of peace are, in consequence, gloomy."

The Times, commenting editorially upon the suggestion of The National Gazette that the United States have not won a victory signal enough to warrant the hard terms they would impose, says:

"This suggestion from would be friends of Spain merely shows that these critics entirely fail to grasp the military significance of America's power. Only by prompt and straightforward dealing with President McKinley can Spain hope to prevent the fruition of American imperial policy in the Pacific, the advantages of which even the most loving, moderate Americans cannot ignore."

The Anglo-American Entente.

LONDON, July 29.—The Daily Mail says this morning: "With the remarkable speech of United States Senator Davis at St. Paul two people have buried the past. Senator Davis' speech is a frank and complete answer to the speech of Mr. Chamberlain at Birmingham. England has no need to be afraid."

ing for an alliance. For some years, until her navy has been strengthened, the overseas possessions of America must be held more or less on sufferance, but with the certainty that the British fleet is on the side of our kinsmen all perit to the United States vanishes."

Prince Bismarck's Condition.

HAMBURG, July 29.—The Hamburg Nachrichten says: "Prince Bismarck's condition still gives employment to his physicians, but there is no ground for anxiety. The pain from which he has been suffering continues, but the last two nights have been comparatively good. His appetite begins to increase, and his spirits are good. When told yesterday that foreign athletes who had taken part in the turnfest had called at the castle to pay their respects, he said: 'Tell them I myself have been standing on my head for a week!'

Appointment of Consul Wildman's Brother.

ELMIRA, N. Y., July 29.—Edwin Wildman of this city has been appointed by President McKinley vice and deputy consul general of the United States at Hongkong. He will sail from San Francisco the latter part of August. He is a brother of Consul General Rounseville Wildman of Hongkong.

To Search for Bourgogne Victims.

HALIFAX, July 29.—The steamer Hiawatha sailed last night on a cruise in search of bodies of victims of La Bourgogne disaster. She will call at Sable Island and cruise on the Grand Banks and vicinity in search of remains. The expedition is fitted out by Hon. John Dillon of New York and W. O. Perry of Kansas City, both of whom lost their wives and children.

Another Bourgogne Inquiry.

PARIS, July 29.—M. Edouard Lockroy, minister of marine, has decided to order a fresh inquiry into the loss of La Bourgogne. If it is found that any of the crew failed in their duty, they will be punished. M. Lockroy has also decided to submit to the chamber of deputies a bill providing measures for the better safeguarding of ocean navigation.

A Pennsylvania Fire.

LOCKHAVEN, Pa., July 29.—The large main building of the brick works owned by Fredericks Monroe & Co., at Farrandsville, was destroyed by fire yesterday. Two large engines, two sets of boilers, over 30,000 bricks and 300 tons of steel were burned. Loss, \$60,000; no insurance. The works will be rebuilt at \$600.

M'KINLEY'S REPLY

Secretary Day Drawing Up the Answer to Spain's Message.

MAY BE SENT TOMORROW

What Our Terms of Peace Are Said to Cover.

DON'T WANT THE PHILIPPINES

Believed That the President Will Ask Only a Coal Station In the Islands. Protest Against Porto Rican Operations Only a Spanish Bluff.

WASHINGTON, July 29.—The terms which the United States government will find acceptable as a basis of peace are being reduced to form by Secretary Day, the president having reached a conclusion on their outlines. These terms were the formal subject of interest and discussion yesterday in official circles.

If the president's purpose was to secure a free expression of public opinion on this subject, he has been gratified with responses made through the newspapers and in the exhibition of interest by government officials in the complex problem now presented. Although it was stated Wednesday that no announcement of the position assumed by the United States in this matter would be forthcoming before it had been formally discussed in the cabinet today, there is the best reason to believe that after the full conference the president has had individually with the members of his cabinet he has already made up his own mind and that Secretary Day has even now practically reduced to form the reply that the United States government will make to the Spanish government.

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On the main points of the terms of peace the administration's position has been so well defined and stated that there is little left to conjecture.

About the only point that seems to be open to an amendment of an extensive character is the disposition of the Philippines. While the administration has not failed to take notice of the extent of the demand for their acquisition by the United States as exhibited in certain sections of the country, it can be stated that the conclusion has been reached to abide by the first decision on this point—namely, to relinquish the islands, retaining a coal station there surrounded by a sufficient zone of land to make it self supporting. This decision it is possible, though not probable, may be again changed before the cabinet disposes of the matter today, as strong influences are at work to induce the president to insist upon the substitution of at least an independent government over the Philippines. While the administration has not failed to take notice of the extent of the demand for their acquisition by the United States as exhibited in certain sections of the country, it can be stated that the conclusion has been reached to abide by the first decision on this point—namely, to relinquish the islands, retaining a coal station there surrounded by a sufficient zone of land to make it self supporting. This decision it is possible, though not probable, may be again

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MANILA HAS FALLEN

So It Is Reported In the Spanish Capital.

DISCUSSING PROSPECTS OF PEACE.

Spain, It Is Said, Would Grant All Our Alleged Demands—Havana Volunteers Agree to an American Protectorate of Cuba.

MADRID, July 29.—The government, it is stated, has received a telegram announcing the surrender of Manila to Admiral Dewey.

It is understood that peace negotiations, if entered upon, will be conducted from London either by Moret or Bername, probably the former.

In political circles it is said that if the president's terms are hard General Correa will resign and be succeeded by Lopez Dominguez.

Marshal Martinez Campos has issued a declaration in favor of immediate peace. So has General Azcarraga.

The papers express indignation against the United States that hostilities have not ceased upon Spain's declaration that she wished to negotiate peace.

The Stock Exchange has boomed upon peace prospects. Most stocks have gone up five points.

The most contradictory notices circulate here in regard to the peace negotiations.

In well informed circles it is stated that Spain is prepared to cede Cuba to an American protectorate, concede the possession of Porto Rico and a suitable coaling station in the Philippines.

It is estimated that the Americans will not seek the island of Luzon owing to the difficulties that would be encountered there in restoring order among such a wild and undisciplined people as the Tagalas.

Apropos of the much discussed question of the attitude of the Cuban volunteers, an important politician has received letters from influential persons in Havana confirming what has already been stated—namely, if the Americans engage to protect Spanish rights and property they will accept an American protectorate with equanimity.

The King's illness which was announced some days ago, is of the nature of an eruptive fever. The statement that it is scarlet fever is not confirmed.

It is important at the moment that General Weyler has declared he will not in any way oppose the negotiations for peace.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Joseph Banigan, the well known rubber goods manufacturer of Providence, is dead.

E. T. Johnson, owner of a powder mill at Troy, Pa., was killed yesterday by an explosion which also wrecked the mill.

The second game of the chess match between Pillsbury and Tarrasch was won by Pillsbury. Each player has now won a game.

The Halifax court of inquiry has exonerated Captain Henderson and the ship Cromartyshire from all blame in the sinking of La Bourgogne.

Mrs. Albert Campbell of Newcastle Pa., burned herself at the stake because she thought she caused the war with Spain and that she must expiate her crime.

Von Veldtheim, who shot and killed Mr. Woolf Joel, the trustee of the estate of the late Barney Barnato, the South African millionaire, has been acquitted of the charge of murder at Johannesburg.

A mysterious attempt was made to murder Coronet E. D. Skinner of North Hempstead, L. I., yesterday. He was shot in the lower part of the body by a man who carried a gun and asked him to hurry out and attend a patient.

THE HAWAIIAN COMMISSION'S WORK.

WASHINGTON, July 29.—Senator Morgan of Alabama, a member of the Hawaiian annexation commission, saw President McKinley yesterday afternoon and suggested to him the wisdom of delaying the departure and work of the commission until about October 1, in view of the Spanish-American situation and the desirability of adjudication first of matters connected with Hawaii's land laws. The president, however, thought that it was best to proceed with the important work at once, and accordingly the present plan of the commission to sail from San Francisco on Aug. 10 remains unchanged. The president, in the course of the conference, expressed himself as highly pleased over the enthusiastic reception of the news of the annexation in the islands.

IT IS "GOTHAM" OUT OF TOWN.

But to People Who Live There It Is the "Biggest City in the United States."

Here are a few remarks by a merchant who came to New York from the southwest ten years ago: "When I was a boy, and long after I had quit acting like one, I nearly always heard New York called 'Gotham.' A New York man was a 'Gothamite.' We read in our home paper of 'Happenings in Gotham.' When a man went from our country to this city he said he had gone to 'Gotham.' I remember an incident in my school. The teacher had a habit of asking questions that were not in the book, and one day he sprung this: 'Which is the largest city in the United States?' The boy at whom this was fired replied 'Gotham.' The old teacher looked over his spectacles and said:

"Yes, you are another one. I wish the fathers of some of you boys would tell you when they read Washington Irving that he was no friend of the school teacher. It takes half my time to undo what Irving did in the history class. The largest city in the United States is New York, and if any of you boys ever go there you will find it out."

Postmasters Appointed.

WASHINGTON, July 29.—The following fourth class postmasters have been appointed: Pennsylvania—Cresco, J. A. Seguine, St. Peter's; George C. Gillin, Sugar Lake; F. M. Brooks, New York—Ischua, L. M. Thornton.

Both Equal Then.

Browne—There is no time in life when woman doesn't get in more talk than man.

Towne—Oh, yes, there is.

Browne—I'd like to know when?

Towne—During the marriage ceremony—Brooklyn Life.

ITALO-COLOMBIAN TROUBLE.

Colombia Has Not Yet Paid the Award.

An Alleged Ultimatum.

WASHINGTON, July 29.—The demand of Italy upon Colombia for the settlement of the Cerruti claim has not yet been compiled with, and although some progress has been made toward an adjustment, there is still a possibility that the case will assume a grave aspect through action by the Italian fleet sent to demand a settlement. Some days ago Colombia made an offer to settle if the Italian fleet left Colombian waters, thus relieving the republic from the humiliation of acting under pressure. But it is understood that the Italian government pointed out that Colombia had been informed of the proposed arrival of the squadron at Cartagena and therefore had time for the execution of the award and thus to eliminate every appearance of coercion.

It appears, however, that the instructions to the Italian admiral gave him discretion as to the mode of procedure and allowed him to give due courtesy to Colombia should time be asked. For that reason it is understood the admiral fixed a period of 20 days within which the claim should be paid. Whether this is an ultimatum is not clear, but in view of Italy's position the action of the admiral appears to be very near, if not quite, an ultimatum to Colombia. There has been much difficulty in learning the exact course of the admiral owing to the bad cable service, and the Italian government for long time was unaware whether the admiral had submitted his original demand for speedy payment.

BASEBALL SCORES.

Results of Yesterday's Games In the National League.

At Louisville—

Louisville ... 4 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 — 6

New York ... 1 0 0 0 0 3 0 0 — 4

Hits—Louisville, 8; New York, 6.

Errors—Louisville, 2; New York, 2.

Batteries—Cunningham and Kittredge, Rusie and Warner.

At Cincinnati—

Cincinnati ... 0 2 0 0 3 1 0 1 — 7

Hits—Cincinnati, 11; Brooklyn, 9.

Errors—Cincinnati, 2; Brooklyn, 2.

Batteries—Hawley and Peitz; Kennedy and Grim.

At Pittsburgh—

Pittsburg ... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 — 0

Philadelphia 1 0 0 0 0 0 2 3 — 17

Hits—Pittsburg, 8; Philadelphia, 14.

Errors—Pittsburg, 2; Philadelphia, 1.

Batteries—Rhines and Bowerman, Patt and Cross.

At St. Louis—

St. Louis ... 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 — 2

Boston ... 2 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 — 6

Hits—St. Louis, 7; Boston, 11.

Errors—St. Louis, 1; Boston, 2.

Batteries—Hughey and Clements, Nichols and Bergen.

Table of Percentages.

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A VERY MUCH WOUNDED MAN.

A Veteran of the Civil War Which a Silver Skirt and Silver Hoop-skirt—This Shot Away and Shoot on Eighty—Other Injuries—Has Undergone Thirty-Seven Operations.

From the Poughkeepsie News Press.

Wednesday afternoon an old man stumbled into police headquarters and asked if he might sit down until he got his breath. After fanning himself for a few minutes the old fellow said to the officer in charge: "Did you ever see a man with half of his head blown off and still live?" "No," answered the officer. "Did you ever?" continued the old man, "see a man with all his left ribs gone, his heart on his right side, his elbows gone, etc?" By this time Officer Walton's eyes began to bulge. But the old man did not stop at that, he continued by opening the front of his shirt and showing a large lump on his chest which he said was a bullet. Continuing he said in husky tones, "Now officer, let me have your hand and I will show you that my throat is gone and that I have a whole silver throat."

He gave his name as George Burns, and said that he had just been discharged from the naval hospital at Brooklyn and was on his way to visit his niece in Albany.

At the beginning of the civil war he enlisted in the 47th Massachusetts and was on board the man-of-war Essex.

While on board this ship at the mouth of the Red River in Mississippi, Burns had the left half of his skull blown away by a shell. He was sent to the hospital, where a silver plate was substituted in place of his skull bone. He again went to the front, where he was wounded. He was struck by a shell in the left side and had five ribs torn out and his heart driven to his right side, so he claims, where it still remains. He was also struck by a bullet, which lodged in his breast, and where it still nestles. At this time he was struck in the right knee cap, which was driven to the thigh of his leg.

Some years ago after the close of the war Burns shipped on the Romania as chief engineer and was on the steamer when she was wrecked on December 18, 1893. At this wreck Burns lost both elbow bones and also had his throat injured so badly that a silver tube was substituted for his original oesophagus. He then went to Washington, where he remained five years and left to go to Brooklyn to have another operation performed on his right knee cap, which had been injured and was removed.

During his life Burns had undergone thirty-seven different operations and at one time was placed in a coffin ready for burial, and nearly frightened the wits out of those who were mourning by sitting up in the casket.

The silver plate which he wears in his head was put there by the noted surgeon, Dr. D. Hayes Agnew.

Burns said that he was sixty-one years old, and boasted of being the only one of his make up, or lack of make-up, in existence.

One queer point about the man is that he says he draws no pension, but claims that he has money in Philadelphia, where he lived for some years after the war. To use his own words in regard to the money, he said, "It is like the Dutchman's anchor;" and when asked why, he said, "Because it is out of sight and hard to get."

ON THE GREEN DIAMOND.

Schedules of Games to Be Played in This Vicinity.

Honesdale vs Chester, at Chester, Saturday, July 30. Game called at 3 p. m. Honesdale vs. Goshen, at Goshen, July 29th.

Chester vs. Port Jervis, at Port Jervis, Tuesday, Aug. 2.

Cuban X Giants vs. Chester, at Chester, Wednesday, Aug. 3.

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Cuban X Giants vs. Port Jervis, at Port Jervis, Friday, Aug. 5.

Goshen vs. Chester, at Chester, Friday, Aug. 5.

Chester vs. Middletown, at Middletown, Saturday, Aug. 6.

SUICIDE OF A MERCHANT.

George D. Cummings, of Newton, N. J., Hanged Himself in His Barn.

George D. Cummings, a well known merchant of Newton, N. J., committed suicide, yesterday morning, by hanging himself with a horse halter in his barn. He arose about 5 o'clock, and after dressing himself went to the barn, saying he intended to feed his horse. When Cummings did not return for breakfast his wife became alarmed and went to look for him. She found his body suspended from a rafter. Cummings was fifty-seven years old. Of late he had shown signs of mental weakness.

Bad for the Young Turkeys.

From the Goshen Democrat.

During the thunder shower, last Thursday afternoon, lightning struck a brood of turkeys in the rear of the barn of John E. Green, just northeast of this village, and killed six out of the seven in the brood.

Where White Horses and Red Headed Girls Abound.

From the Honesdale Citizen.

By actual count, on Saturday evening, from the veranda of the Hotel Wayne, there were, within sight, in as many directions, no less than six white horses and as many red headed girls.

One of nature's remedies; cannot harm the weakest constitution; never fails to cure summer complaints of young and old. Dr. Fowler's Extract, to. Wild Berry.

CHARGED WITH MANY FORGERIES

A Woman Connected Young Man Who Is Said to Be Too Wandy With a Pen.

A correspondent of the *Ensign* says that the young man recently arrested at Walton on a charge of issuing a forged check, is Hiram Flager, a very respectably connected young man, who formerly resided at Claryville, Sullivan county. It is also asserted that there were seven warrants out for his arrest, principally for forgeries. Within the past month it is charged that he passed forged checks on Leopold, the Elkhorn clothiers, James Lounsherry, of Kerhonkson and on at least two Kingston merchants.

A Popular Day Resort on the E. and W. From the Honesdale Citizen.

Since the inauguration by the New York, Ontario and Western of Sunday trains from Scranton to Poynette, this justly popular resort in the highlands of Wayne, twenty-three hundred feet above sea level, has been largely patronized. Each Sunday several hundred excursionists take advantage of the low excursion rates, and spend a day of rest amidst charming surroundings.

An Aged Husband's Fatal Jealousy.

Noah Miller, a well known farmer, sixty-five years old, of Nelson Mills, near Cold Spring, had trouble, Tuesday, with his handsome young wife, of whom he was jealous. Mrs. Miller then left her home and went to the house of a neighbor. Miller's body was found the next morning hanging from a beam in his barn. He had committed suicide during the night.

A Chance for Bicyclists.

For the accommodation of cyclists, the Erie will have a baggage car attached to special excursion train, Sunday, July 31st. This car will be used exclusively for bicycles. Owners are requested to tag their wheels before placing them on train. Tags will be furnished at baggage room. 10d4

The Price of Milk Raised.

The directors of the Consolidated Milk Exchange met Wednesday, and as was expected advanced the price one-fourth of a cent a quart, making it ninety cents a can in this freight zone.

Newburgh Soldiers Sick at Camp; Black

Ten or fifteen members of the Newburgh Company, at Camp Black, are laid up with minor troubles, the result of exposure to the hard conditions of life at that camp.

LONG EDDY.

A Painful Injury—Many Personal and Local Notes.

Correspondence of ARGUS and MERCURY.

—D. A. Carr has to resort to crutches, owing to a dislocated knee caused by catching it in a car seat.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hempstead recently visited their son, S. E. Hempstead, at Gulf Summit.

—E. J. Hart has moved to Deposit.

—This place supports seven drinking places and there are two dances every Saturday night.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Carpenter, of Hornellville, are visiting D. A. Carr.

—Miss Jennie Gordon, of Peakville, recently visited her brother, W. B. Gordon.

—Wm. McKinney has a boarder come to stay: it's a boy.

—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Talmage have been visiting at Liberty.

—Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Armstrong visited friends at Oneonta, a few days ago.

—Mrs. H. J. Lockwood, of Brooklyn, is visiting her father, C. G. Armstrong.

—Mrs. D. A. Carr was recently called to attend the funeral of her mother, Mrs. P. Beemer, of Coleville.

—T. A. Reed, of Rockland, recently installed the officers of the Odd Fellows' Lodge.

—G. Newcomb, of Delhi, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. C. T. Barsford.

—The fire which destroyed L. K. Geer's dwelling came from a defective flue.

NEW HAMPTON.

The Drowning Accident Near Midway Park—Many Summer Boarders—Personal and Local Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Robert Tepke, of Pine Bush, has moved into the New Hampton House.

—The drowning accident in the Wallkill should prove a warning to the many bathers who frequent its treacherous waters, but still nearly every day many bathers can be seen along the banks of this stream.

—The hot weather of the last few weeks has brought a large number of summer bathers to this vicinity.

—Mr. and Mrs. James York have a young daughter.

—Miss Fannie Mills, of Plainfield, N. J., is the guest of H. E. Mills and family.

—Mrs. Frank Pease, of Middletown, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Sloat, Wednesday.

—Mrs. Harry Osterhout, of Cadosia, N. Y., who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Resdyke, has returned to her home.

—Miss Maggie Pulis, is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Talmadge, in Newburgh.

SLATE MILL.

Correspondence of ARGUS and MERCURY.

—The monthly meeting of the Prohibition Club will be held at M. R. Hawkin's, Saturday evening, July 30th. Rev. W. S. Holly is expected to be present and make an address. All are invited.

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THE BUMBLE BEE.

He Does Not Fear the Cold and Very Frequently Is Found in the Arctic Region.

In St. Nicholas there is an article on "The Bumble Bee," written by Harry Hoekin Standish. Mr. Standish says:

This chunky, hairy, noisy fellow is king of the cold. He stays with us summer and winter, and is said to prefer the Arctic region to the tropics. I do not doubt this, for he will sleep out of doors any cold night of spring or fall without asking for an extra blanket. Indeed, he is homeless for nine or ten months of the year, lodging wherever night overtakes him, on a blossom, a leaf, and even upon the ground. If he has any choice in the matter I think he prefers the thistle, where the spines are thickets. Perhaps he is aware that these stingers will guard him from the skunk and the snake while his own are in a body stiffened by cold and drowsy with sleep.

There are three kinds of bumble bees reared in a nest: queens, drones and workers. The queens alone survive the winter. They apparently spend the first few weeks of spring waiting for red clover to bloom, the first blossom of which is the signal for nest building. Before this they visit the willows, hum a soft bass about the blossoms, thrust their long tongues into the honeysuckles and grow fat at the exhaustless honey jars of the water leaf, and then the play day ends and labor begins.

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LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local matter, to-day.

—Mennelchor picnic, this afternoon and evening.

—Walter S. Weeks went to Hurleyville, to-day, where he will compete in bicycle races.

—All who attend the Mennelchor's picnic, this afternoon and evening, will be sure of a good time.

—The Great A. and P. Tea Company will give Japanese fans to purchasers of tea and coffee, to-morrow.

—The German Mennelchor is holding its postponed picnic at Mennelchor Park, this afternoon, and it will be continued, this evening.

—Charles E. Clapham, of Bloomingburgh, telephoned to the Argus, to-day, that he had recovered his St. Bernard "Bishop" at Fair Oaks.

—The Game Protector is investigating complaints that lime has been used to kill big trout in Oquaga Creek and other streams in Delaware county.

—Oquaga Lake was stocked with lake trout forty years ago. No signs of the fish have been seen until Wednesday, when Kimball Brown caught a two-pounder.

—The executive committee of the soldiers and sailors of Orange county will meet in this city, to-morrow, to arrange for the annual gathering, which occurs this year at Warwick, August 18.

—Floyd Luce, awaiting trial on a charge of forgery, escaped from the Binghamton jail, a day or two ago, by jumping from a window twenty-five feet from the ground.

—The skin of a spotted adder, nearly seven feet in length, was found near the Unadilla coal pockets recently, and the knowledge that the big snake is somewhere in the vicinity makes all take heed where they tread.

PERSONAL.

—Claribel Pillebury went to Boston, to-day.

—Mrs. George F. Bailey is quite ill at her home.

—Mrs. W. E. Davis, of Walden, is visiting in town.

—Oscar Winters and family are at Long Branch.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Stratton went to New York, to-day.

—Wm. Madden is fishing at Round Pond, Monroe, to-day.

—Miss Helen Coldwell, of Mattewan, is the guest of Miss Edith Tompkins.

—Mrs. John Farrell and son, Harry, are visiting friends and relatives in Port Jervis.

—Levi Bookheim, formerly of this city, and now of Albany, is the guest of his uncle, L. Stern.

—Ex-Judge D. D. McKoon, of New York city, was the guest of George H. Decker, Thursday night.

—J. Decatur Horton, who has been confined to his home for several days, was able to sit up, to-day.

—Mrs. Irwin and daughter, of Philadelphia, who have been the guests of Mrs. S. M. Boyd, went to Port Jervis, to-day.

—Charles H. Mapes, of the Middletown Wagon Company, is camping at Twin Lakes with a party of Port Jervis gentlemen.

—John Harford, his wife and son, of Middletown, N. Y., visited his mother, Mrs. Hulda Harford, in town, over Saturday and Sunday.—*Wantage Recorder*.

—Charles I. Sanford, of Brooklyn, and James H. Coton, of Highland, Ulster county, are visiting at John P. Conkling's No. 10 Montague avenue. Both guests are mutes, one being deaf and blind as well.

—Miss A. C. Taylor is visiting friends in Middletown. Cecil Fredericks, of Middletown, has been here on a visit to his brother, this week. Mrs. J. P. Turrell and son, of Middletown, are on a visit at George Brady's, this week.—*Ellenville Press*.

—Miss Nellie Hardenbergh is visiting her sister, Mrs. Frank C. Brady, in Middletown. Mrs. D. S. Yorke and child, of Middletown, visited Ellenville friends, this week. Mr. and Mrs. M. Miller, of Middletown, have been visiting their Ellenville friends, the last week.—*Ellenville Journal*.

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OBITUARY.

William L. Whiting.

Wm. L. Whiting, a mounted policeman attached to the 17th Precinct, Brooklyn, died at M. S. Askew's, Fair Oaks, Thursday, of heart trouble, aged twenty-seven years. His mother and brother, Geo. H. K. Whiting were at his bedside.

Undertaker Donovan accompanied the remains to New York city, to-day.

Edward E. Eney.

Edward Riley, a file grinder, died at his home, No. 11 School street, at 12:45, to-day, after eight weeks' illness of typhoid malaria, aged thirty-six years.

The deceased was attacked by highwaymen in the west about three years ago, and was brought on here to his home badly injured. He has resided here ever since. He is survived by his wife, whose maiden name was Reynolds, and three daughters and one son.

Andrew, assistant paymaster on the O. & W., Samuel, William and Peter, brothers, and three sisters, Mary, Annie and Jennie, all of this city, also survive.

COL. BARBER OFF FOR HONOLULU

Go on a Transport Bound for Manila to Prepare Quarters for His Troops.

Col. Barber, of the First New York Volunteers, embarked for Honolulu, Thursday, on the St. Paul, which is carrying an expedition to the Philippines. The steamer was to sail, this morning.

The troops to garrison Hawaii will leave, on Monday, on the steamers Lakme and North Fork—400 of the First New York on the former, and about 350 of the Battalion of Engineers on the latter. Col. Barber and his assistants go in advance to arrange for their camp. There being no army officers at Honolulu to make preparations for the troops, it was thought best to put Col. Barber on the ground early, so that the men should not be unprovided for when they arrive. The lumber for the barracks will be shipped at once, and temporary shelters will be erected without loss of time.

A STRAW RIDE.

A Merry Party of Summer Boarders Visit This City.

A straw load of singers, horn-blowers, etc., who reside in New York and who are summering at Hillside Farm, near Bloomingburgh, came to this city, Thursday night, and enjoyed a swell blow-out at Rowley's. They returned home at 11:30.

In the party were: Misses K. L. and T. J. Nelson, F. E. Edmondson, N. K. McCall, J. E. Ritchie and Wm. G. Roberts, Jr., Henry B. Nelson, J. W. Russell, J. E. Mapes, B. C. Budd and F. W. Rose, all chaperoned by Madames Edmonson, Berwin and Schweitzer.

WAS IT MURDER?

The Inquest Into the Death of the Infant Found at Guynard.

From the Port Jervis Union.

The inquest into the death of the little baby found on the Erie tracks near Guynard, some time ago, was held at the Hotel Sussex, Wednesday night, and after a brief deliberation the jury brought in the following verdict:

We find that the infant found on the Erie tracks near Guynard came to his death at the hand of some person or persons unknown to the jury, and death was probably due to strangulation.

None of the Port Jervis recruits wounded at Santiago.

Corporal William E. Mapes, one of the Port Jervis recruits who was in the battle in front of Santiago, and who was reported killed, has written to a friend in Port Jervis that he and the other Port Jervis boys went through the fight unharmed. The letter was written on the transport on which they had embarked for Porto Rico.

Ontario and Western Coney Island Excursion.

On Sunday, August 7th, the Ontario and Western will run an excursion to Coney Island, making connection at Weehawken with the Iron Steamboat Company. The boat will run direct from Weehawken to the Island, passing Governor's Island, Statue of Liberty, Forts Wadsworth and Hamilton. The rate direct to the Island and return is but \$1.00.

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In Search of Useful Knowledge.

Ex-State Assessor J. L. Williams, of Poughkeepsie, and C. M. Colwell, clerk to the Board of Supervisors, of Dutchess county, were in town, to-day, gathering information about Middletown's assessment methods. They went to Goshen, this afternoon. The information obtained is to be used in disproving New York city's allegation that Dutchess and other rural counties are assessed too high.

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We'll not forget our soldier-boys
In camp or battle-field,
For in this hour of peril's night
They form their country's shield;
They wield their arms with might;
They yield their lives to sacred lore,
"Wax valiant in the fight."

II.
Whether in camp or on the march,
Or crossing distant seas,
Their lives are lives of sacrifice,
Not of inglorious ease;
Till victory on their banners perch
They sang their troth they plight,
Ease, comfort, luxury forsworn—
To country, duty, right.

III.
Our sailors, too—God bless them all!
Our zealous, gallant tars:
Our Deweys, Sampsons, Hobsons, Schieley,
Floating the stripes and stars
To light up dark Philippine isles,
Antilles' coasts to cheer,
To assure the Cuban patriot.
Redemption draweth near.

IV.
These are our boys, gone from our homes,
And this their worthy task,
For us who watch their every move,
It is too much to ask
That we remember, as we pray.
The soldier's pressing needs,
And find the answer to our prayers
In kindly, generous deeds?

V.
Light up the camp! Cheer up the heart!
The homely soldier bless,
By sending letters, papers, and
Dessert to spice the mess;
Between the soldier-boy and home
No power should be able
To intercept love's messages
Or cut the magic cable.
—Harvey Wendell, in Leslie's Weekly.



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"Did he kiss you when he proposed?"
asked the one in pink.

"No-o, I believe not," answered the one in blue.

"You were too quick for him, I suppose," suggested the one in pink; "but really, I think you made a mistake. It is better to let the man initiate anything of that sort."

It is hardly necessary to explain why they are no longer dear friends.—Chicago Post.

An Exasperation.

"What's the matter?" inquired the friend. "Your collar is wilted, you're out of breath and you're streaming with perspiration."

"I know it. I had resolved not to exert myself, but there are some things a man can't stand without resentment. I was getting along quietly and comfortably till one of these people who keep telling you to 'keep cool' came along."—Washington Star.

Her Ideal Artist.

"Whatever became of Belle de Graw? She used to be very aristocratic in her ways."

"Yes, I know. She married an artist."

"Indeed? Mural, landscape, portrait or—"

"No, you haven't guessed it. Tonsorial."—Cleveland Leader.

A Sympathetic Coroner.

"And was her death sudden?" asked the coroner of the principal witness.

"Yes," was the reply; "the fall knocked her senseless; she never spoke afterward."

"Poor woman; what an awful death!" sighed the coroner, who was a married man of long standing.—Chicago Journal.

After the First Move.

Professor (discussing organic and inorganic kingdoms)—Now, if I should shut my eyes—so—and drop my head—so—and remain perfectly still, you would say I was a clod. But I move, I leap. Then what do you call me?

Voice from Rear—A clodhopper.—Tit-Bits.

Certainly Very Consistent.

"That friend of mine says he can't bring himself to tolerate anything English," said Willie Washington.

"I have observed that," answered Miss Cayenne. "He doesn't even draw the line at English grammar."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Proclamation.

The Wife—You can't blame me for wanting nice dresses. All women are slaves to fashion.

The Husband—Well, I'm a strong abolitionist, and I can't consistently give money toward encouraging slavery in any form.—N. Y. Journal.

Approved.

Smithers (society poet)—I am thinking of issuing a volume with wide margins. Do you like the idea?

Miss De Facto (warmly)—Indeed, you cannot make your margins too wide for me. I adore blank verse.

A Reproach.

Chimmie—Say, Mag, I wish yer wouldn't git dat hungry look in yer eye ev'ry time we passes an ice cream stand. How d'yer s'pose I kin save up enough money for us ter git married if I've got ter graterly ter extravagant tastes?—N. Y. Journal.

None Sorry.

"One can be killed against her will," Quoth she. When, with a sigh, The man remarked, "I'm sorry." She murmured, "So am I."—Detroit Journal.

POPULAR SONG ILLUSTRATED.



"The Girl I Left Behind Me."—Chicago Inter Ocean.

By One of Their Victims.
I wish all the scorchers, wherever they are, Might each have a straight-away track.

And pedal his cycle so swift and so far
He could never, no never, get back.

—L. A. W. Bulletin.

Strikingly Effective.

"I saw one of those idiots who rock the boat cured once by homeopathic treatment."

"How was that?"

"Fellow hit him with a stone."—Chicago Tribune.

Economy of Nature.

"If a man can live with one lung, why does nature furnish him two?"

"How could a man with only one lung ever get his second wind?"—Chicago Tribune.

Earnest Effort.

Hax—What's the matter with that man? St. Vitus' dance?

Jax—No; he has the ague, but he's trying to shake it off.—Philadelphia Record.

A New Definition.

Kerrigan—O'Brien's bye has rheumatic rums on his by-sickle.

Gilroy—Phat's them?

Kerrigan—Wind bags, like y're brother the alderman.—Up to Date.

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The entries are:

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 1898.

2:25 CLASS, PACING—PURSE \$400.

Epis Lijero, ch. h., May King, Thos. Pinchin, Middletown.

Peter H. b. g., Kentucky Wilkes, Hambletonian Messenger, O. H. Albenesius, Jersey City.

Myrtle H. b. m., American Boy, Artemus D. Deemer, Paterson, N. J.

Crowe, b. g., Gambler, A. H. Benner, South Bethlehem, Pa.

Frank W. b. g., Red Prince, Howard Hayden, Brooklyn.

Jennings' Girl, Plush, John Goldsmith, Jas. Elliott, Philadelphia, Pa.

Thursday, b. m., Noonday, Director, H. P. Lippincott, Jersey City.

Lord Belgrave, b. h., Dark Night, Glencoe Wilkes, Chas. Winters, New York city.

Benito, b. g., Yorkwood, H. M. Cox, Washington, N. J.

Persey, Billman, b. h., Bellman, Addie, G., Maplewood Stock Farm, Roadstown, N. J.

Nancy Russell, b. m., Orrin Russell, P. P. Donovan, Waterbury, Conn.

Mary Budd, br. m., Earle Medium, J. S. Murray, Chester.

Marianna, br. m., Tharfel, R. L. Davis, Lybrook, L. I.

Sweet Florette, b. m., Gambetta Wilkes, Harvey Cady, Gloversville.

Clover, b. m., Gambetta Wilkes, Oak Hill Farm, Goshen.

The Kid, br. g., Director, Jay Gould, C. A. Thompson, New York city.

Coetess, ch. m., Actuary, Mambrino Chief, Jr., C. A. Thompson, New York city.

Vertie Plummer, Harry Plummer, Geo. G. Furman, Warwick.

2:28 STAKE TROTTING—PURSE \$500.

Lady Wellington, ch. m., Gen. Wellington, Alleghany Boy, Arden Farms, Goshen.

Saurine, ch. m., Sprague, Bright, Wildmont, I. B. Gurney, Goshen.

Midway Prince, b. k. a., Mountain Prince, Prince of Orange, J. A. Sheeley, Ellenville.

Ben Bramble, ch. s., Allerton, Bellmont, W. C. Abendroth, Port Jervis.

Pierrot, b. s., Antonio, Kentucky Prince, W. H. Lidiun, Goshen.

Sable Alcyoner, b. k. m., Alcyoner, Wilkes Spirit, William H. Halstead, 216 William street, New York.

Kremlin King, br. c., Kremlin, Alcyone, Wm. M. Halstead, 216 William street, New York.

Sacra, br. m., Simmons, Hawn Patch, Louis J. Martin, Newton, N. J.

Ouida, b. m., Sweepstakes, Chester Chief, J. S. Murray, Chester.

Dimple, b. m., Sweepstakes, Chester Chief, J. S. Murray, Chester.

Welfare, Wilkes Boy, Frank Shelburn, 516 Pearl street, Buffalo.

Endland Tiptoe, b. m., Cuylercoast, Pagan, J. Walter, Lovatt, Bethlehem, Pa.

Moelawn, br. m., Aemon, C. A. Thompson, Guttenberg, N. J.

Bill Leland, b. m., Bellman, Leland, W. S. Garrison, Roadstown, N. J.

Endland M. chg., Nuthurst, Metropolitan, Oak Hill Farm, Goshen.

Frauk Murray, b. g., Polonius, Oak Hill Farm, Goshen.

Nelly Couvay, gr. m., Pilot Medium, Alzegro, George McCrea, New Holland, O.

Minnie Russell, b. m., Happy Russell, John Dickerson, Goshen.

Agnell, br. g., Axtell, John Dickerson, Goshen.

Peaceful, b. m., Norval, Almont, George S. Jillett, Middletown.

Stella G., b. m., Sweepstakes, Middletown.

2:21 CLASS TROTTING—PURSE \$500.

Cherrycroft, ch. h., Nutwood, Cuyler, Glenmore Farm, Glenmore, N. J.

Eival, b. m., Kremlin, Miss Alice, Arden Farms, Goshen.

Lou Mitchell, br. m., Direct, John Dailey, New York city.

Santos, br. g., Eagle Bird, G. D. Brinkhoff, Fishkill-on-Hudson.

Agnes Morell, gr. m., Independence, Howard Haydon, Brooklyn.

Redweed, s. g., Touchstone, Fauny, J. E. Hinkle, Bernharts, Pa.

Wilkes Pointer, b. g., Wilkes Mount, Clark Nickler, Waterbury, Conn.

Norvet, b. g., Norval, B. H. Demarest, Readville, Mass.

Chanty, s. g., B. H. Demarest, Readville, Mass.

Miss Patchen, b. m., Linkwood, Harry Rites, Baltimore, Md.

Cattler, b. g., Warwick Boy, J. F. Gibson, New York city.

Lady Andover, b. m., Jersey Volunteer, L. C. Manley, Philadelphia, Pa.

Flora Nutwood, b. m., Nutwood, L. C. Manley, Philadelphia, Pa.

Legend, ch. m., Oak Hill Farm, Goshen.

McLaughlin Maid, ch. m., Hugh McLaughlin, Middletown, E. C. Moser, Parkville.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 1898.

2:15 CLASS—PACING, PURSE \$500.

Red Lake, b. h., Red King, Sweepstakes, Glenmore Farm, Glenmore, N. J.

Emma E. ch. m., Allandor, Almont, T. H. Camp, Norwich, Conn.

Helen R. b. m., John Dickerson, Goshen.

Little Daisy, Young Kirkwood, John O'Blane, Dundee Lake, N. J.

Joe Nelson, Perduro, W. A. Kaler, Yonkers, N. Y.

Grace C. b. m., Judge Rice, Santefo, F. W. Bitting, Shillington, Pa.

Ivete, b. m., Gambetta Wilkes, D. H. Nichols, Parkville, L. I.

U. S. Bond, b. g., Frank Noble, Frank Howell, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Mithra, ch. m., Advertiser, Frank Howell, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

O. M. C. gr. b., Abro Medium, Harry Rites, Baltimore, Md.

Cinder Alcyoner, b. g., Alcyoner, Cinderella, Alcyoner Farm, New York city.

Neil Alcyoner, g. g., Alcyoner, Neilson, Alcyoner Farm, New York city.

Volman, br. h., Bellman, Young Volunteer, W. W. Fox, Bridgeton, N. J.

Silk Woodnut, ch. g., Woodnut, L. C. Manley, Philadelphia, Pa.

Forest Wilkes, b. g., Bourbon Wilkes, R. L. Davis, Lybrook, L. I.

Daisy J. b. m., Montjoy, Oak Hill Farm, Goshen.

Harry S. br. g., Harry Wilkes, Oak Hill Farm, Goshen.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10, 1898.

2:25 CLASS—PACING, PURSE \$400.

Highland Roy, S. G. Remsen, Maude Drew, James Arkell, Plainfield, N. J.

Kittie Newman, m., Red Wilkes, Albert Bryant, Mattawan.

Midway Prince, b. k. a., Mountain Prince, Prince of Orange, J. A. Sheeley, Ellenville.

Vera, b. m., Viking, Bona Fide, St. Lawrence Stock Farm, Canton.

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